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1.

Fritz Selbmann, Minister of Heavy Industry, on 14 April 1955, ordered  
the chief of DEZ Chemie, ZM, [REDACTED] by  
telephone to make the entire [REDACTED]  
available to GDR agricultural [REDACTED]  
only after the GDR's agricultural [REDACTED] have been met.

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2. Serious transport troubles have arisen because of the lack of freight  
cars. Fertilizer will allegedly be shipped in gondola cars since other  
shipping space used for troop transports along the Elbe River was not  
released by the Soviets.

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3. A schedule for [REDACTED] shipments was drawn up by a conference  
held at [REDACTED] [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]  
and nitrogen. The manufacturers re- [REDACTED]  
cars. The conference was only concerned with the shipping [REDACTED]  
question as to what type of cars are to be used remained unsettled. In  
above mentioned telephone communication of 14 April 1955, Minister  
Selbmann promised to make every effort to make the required box cars  
available.

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